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## Togiak Herring Announcement 10 Emergency Order 10

This is the Alaska Department of Fish & Game in Dillingham with an announcement regarding the Togiak herring fishery.

The purse seine fishery will reopen today May 23, at 12:00 noon. The open area for purse seine fishing is from the longitude of Right Hand Point at 159° 55.00' west longitude to the longitude of Cape Newenham at 162° 10.50' west longitude. However, in Togiak Bay the area north of latitude 58° 58.75' north latitude is closed to commercial herring fishing. Please note this is a slight change from the previous boundary. The purse seine fishery is open for 34 hours until 10:00 p.m. May 24.

The gillnet harvest yesterday was 496 tons of herring with an average roe content of 11.7% and an average weight of 395 grams. The total gillnet harvest now stands at 2,436 tons 37.5% of the quota. As previously announced the gillnet fishery is open until further notice.

The total purse seine harvest is 9,727 tons of herring 64.3% of the quota.

This has been the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham.